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The strains of Herbaceous Peonies offered here are arranged roughly by season, beginning with the earliest. In my garden I have peonies for almost two months, beginning about May 5 with the earliest species and hybrids, and ending about July 5 with the last of the Chinese peonies.

Peony shipping season is September and October. Transportation prepaid. Prices are indicated in the list. Cash should accompany orders.

## **Mlokosewitschi x macrophylla (tomentosa)**

**Olga.** (1950) Pale yellow flowers, large grayish foliage. Seems to be more robust than Mlokosewitschi. \$15.00

## **Mlokosewitschi x tenuifolia**

**No. 6941.** Fine light pink. Extremely early. \$5.00

**Daystar.** Distinctly yellow. \$15.00

**Playmate.** (1950) Small bright rose-colored flowers held high above finely-cut foliage. \$15.00

## **Mlokosewitschi x tenuifolia; second generation hybrids.**

**Nosegay.** (1950) Palest salmon pink and ivory, bright yellow centre. Like Playmate. \$15.00

**May Morning.** (1950) Creamy apricot. Color of a tea rose. \$15.00

## **Mlokosewitschi x tenuifolia x albiflora**

**Roselette.** (1950) Clear and lovely pink. Great bloomer. \$15.00

## **Albiflora x macrophylla**

**Chalice.** Largest single. Pure white. \$15.00

**Seraphim.** White single. \$10.00

**Celia.** Semi-double. Light flesh with yellow cast. \$5.00

**Shell Pink.** Single, pale pink with slight yellow-green cast. \$5.00

**Fantasia.** Single flesh pink, crinkled petals, crimson stigmas. \$10.00



**Second generation back crosses, using pollen of an albiflora x macrophylla hybrid on an albiflora variety.**

**Garden Peace.** (1941) White single blooms, held high. Side blooms give it a very long season. \$15.00

**Requiem.** (1943) Perfect waxy white single bloom, with huge golden centre. Very tall. \$15.00

**Willmottiae x macrophylla**

**Silver Dawn.** White, faintly flushed. \$15.00

**Albiflora x Wittmanniana**

**Green Ivory.** Light green with some yellow. Novel color. \$15.00

**Elizabeth Cahn.** Large white goblet, underlay of faint green. \$10.00

**Magnolia Flower.** Resembles a magnolia. Large, mauve and cream. \$15.00

**Ballerina.** (1941) Very early double. Large bomb of delicate greenish yellow, full, fringed. \$15.00

**Albiflora x decora**

**Reward.** Upright, handsome. Single, warm dark maroon. \$5.00

**Albiflora x decora alba**

**Camellia.** White, flushed peach pink. Becoming semi-double. \$15.00

**Officinalis x decora alba**

**Diantha.** Very early. Pale pink, medium size flowers. \$10.00

**Officinalis x lobata**

**Scarlet Tanager.** Tall plants with vermillion red blooms. \$15.00

**Little Dorrit.** Small flower. Salmon with bright red flares. \$10.00

**Ladybird.** Lovely bright tomato-red color. \$10.00

**Albiflora x officinalis**

**Challenger.** Tall dark crimson with bright yellow anthers. Garden Achievement Medal and Silver Medal of American Peony Society. \$5.00

**Defender.** Dark mahogany crimson. Court of Honor, Syracuse, 1941. \$5.00

**Erebus.** Fine very dark mahogany red single. Yellow stamens. \$15.00

**Tantrums.** Very dark crimson single. Fine color. Yellow stamens. \$5.00



- Marta.** Very tall. Mahogany red, with touches of white on edges of petals. Award of Merit, Mass. Hort. Soc.; Court of Honor Award, Syracuse, 1941. \$5.00
- Cavatina.** Single. Light bright cherry pink. Crimson stigmas. \$10.00
- Jacqueminot.** Full double crimson bomb. Buds like huge rosebuds. \$5.00
- Postilion.** Enormous flower of deep scarlet crimson. Brilliant. \$15.00
- Legion of Honor.** Beautiful, almost single, lustreless cherry scarlet. Court of Honor, Syracuse, 1941. \$5.00
- Rosy Wreath.** Single very pale pink cup. Charming. \$10.00
- Bordeaux.** Large claret colored single. Large centre of yellow stamens. \$10.00
- Edward Steichen.** Magnificent semi-double. Very dark. Finest of this strain. \$15.00
- Rosalba.** (formerly **Spring Song**, 1941) Pale creamy salmon, single. Much admired in New York, 1950. \$15.00
- Mid May.** (1950) Tall, with huge flowers of pale pink; centre of golden anthers with crimson filaments. \$15.00
- Liberator.** (1940) A plant of enormous vigor and luxuriant growth with bright deep crimson flowers. \$15.00
- Madrigal.** (1941) Very large semi-double blooms of palest pink or white.
- Mariner.** (1941) Single darkest maroon crimson. Fine carriage. \$15.00
- Birthday.** (1935) Like a huge pale pink Shirley poppy slightly fringed at the edges. Single. \$15.00
- Veitchi x Emodi**
- Early Windflower** \$5.00
- Beresowskyi x Emodi**
- Late Windflower** \$5.00
- Early Windflower blooms at the very beginning of the peony season; the other about a week later. These plants are graceful and unusual and the flowers closely resemble white anemones.
- Albiflora x Emodi**
- Innocence.** Very tall (4½ ft.). Single pure white flowers. Unique. \$10.00
- Albiflora x Otto Froebel**
- Hope.** Semi-double, intense pure rose color. \$5.00
- Anniversary.** Fringed flowers. Like huge pink Shirley poppy. \$10.00
- Mercy.** Beautiful salmon rose cup. Single. \$5.00



## **Albiflora x lobata**

- Janice.** Charming pale salmon pink color. Extra. \$5.00
- Nathalie.** Magnificent flat bloom almost full double, brilliant salmon rose. \$10.00
- Julia Grant.** Semi-double. Very fine clear pink color. First Class Certificate, Mass. Hort. Soc. 1947. \$15.00
- Coralie.** Cherry single. Unusual color. \$10.00
- Grace Root.** Light clear salmon pink cup-shaped single. \$5.00
- Sophie.** Brightest cherry red; fine centre. First Class Cert., Mass. Hort. Soc., 1947. \$10.00
- Cecilia.** Light bright cherry. Fringed. Enormous goblet. First Class Cert., Mass. Hort. Soc., 1947. \$10.00
- Cardinal's Robe.** Brilliant and shining scarlet single. Award of Merit, Mass. Hort. Soc., 1947. Court of Honor, New York, 1948. \$10.00
- Ludovica.** (1941) Clear rose pink. Very large semi-double cup. Bronze Medal, and First Class Cert., Mass. Hort. Soc., 1947. \$10.00
- Ellen Cowley.** Bright cherry semi-double rosette. \$10.00
- Laura Magnuson.** (1941) Very large light clear bright rose, semi-double. Late for this strain. 15.00
- Elizabeth Foster.** (1941) Single brightest rose-pink flat cup. \$10.00
- Alert.** (1941) Exceptionally brilliant crimson single. \$5.00
- Constance Spry.** (1941) Magnificent bright cherry semi-double. \$15.00
- Alexander Woolcott.** (1941) Large semi-double flat cup, shining crimson. Award of Merit, Mass. Hort. Soc., 1947. \$15.00
- Nadia.** (1941) Wide-spreading cherry pink blossom, with slightly crinkled petals. Late for this strain. \$10.00
- Emblem.** (1941) Single deep lustreless red flowers of finest substance. \$10.00
- Red Red Rose.** (1942) Brightest crimson-scarlet bomb. \$10.00
- Skylark.** (1942) Upright goblets of clearest pink, held high. \$5.00
- Lovely Rose.** (1942) Deep creamy pink semi-double. Court of Honor, New York, 1949.
- Bravura.** (1943) Shining light crimson with white flares on outside of crinkled petals. \$10.00
- Great Lady.** (1943) China pink. Single or slightly semi-double, very large. \$10.00



- Rose Diamond.** (1943) Clear salmon rose. Single. Petals folded in a pointed fashion. Late for this race. \$15.00
- Rose Garland.** (1943) China pink single cup. On the reverse, white flares streaked pink. Rather dwarf. \$10.00
- Fortune.** (1943) Rounded goblets of bright rose with a strong white outside. \$10.00
- Claudia.** (1944) Very tall erect semi-double goblets. Opens bright light cherry, changing to clear pale salmon. \$15.00
- Carina.** (1944) Intense shining scarlet-crimson. Semi-double. \$15.00
- Rose Tulip.** (1947) Flowers erect, tall, like pink tulips. \$10.00
- Your Majesty.** (1947) Imposing, erect. Uplifted scarlet goblets. \$15.00
- Queen Rose.** (formerly Masterpiece, 1949) Enormous flowers. Perfect goblets of clear bright rose-pink. Double when established. \$15.00
- Moonrise.** (1949) Exquisite creamy yellow, single. \$15.00
- Mermaid.** (1950) Large delicate single of palest lavender. \$15.00
- Gillian.** (1950) Like Janice, but earlier, and lighter pink. \$5.00
- Paladin.** (1950) Glowing carmine-red, loosely double. \$5.00
- Heritage.** (1950) Lustreless crimson-red, rose-bomb double. \$15.00
- Alert.** (1941) Exceptionally brilliant crimson single. \$5.00
- Lustrous.** (1942) Intense, luminous vermilion scarlet. Semi-double, bomb-shaped. \$15.00
- Red Lacquer.** (1950) Scarlet, with variegated centre. \$15.00
- Carolina.** (1950) Very large single of palest pink. \$15.00
- Olivia Saunders.** (1943) Single goblet held high, opening light cherry, becoming paler pink than Janice. \$15.00
- Montezuma.** (1943) Scarlet crimson goblet. Sensation at New York Show, 1950. \$15.00
- Red Cockade.** (1943) Bright clear crimson. Frilled and crinkled petals. Flowers of heavy substance. \$15.00
- Rosy Cheek.** (1943) Slightly semi-double bloom of deep rose color, growing light toward the tips of petals. \$15.00
- Triple Hybrids in which albiflora, officinalis and macrophylla are combined**
- Pageant.** (1941) Light pink with an enormous cluster of stamens. \$10.00



- Campagna.** Deep white goblet with greenish shadows. Filled with a mass of bright gold anthers. Slightly fringed and crinkled petals. \$10.00
- Burgundy.** (1941) Blackish purple petals of heavy substance, lustreless and crinkled; bright yellow stamens. \$10.00

In addition to the plants listed above, I have in my garden a number of new races of hybrids at prices from \$5.00 to \$15.00; these include the "Halcyon" Group (albiflora x Ozieri alba); a new "Lavender" Group (albiflora x coriacea); Quadruple hybrids, and some species which are not easy to obtain true to name. For information regarding all these herbaceous plants, as well as my Tree Peony Hybrids (between Chinese tree peonies and *P. lutea* or *P. Delavayi*), please write for my complete catalogue.

### *Directions for Planting*

Failures with peonies are more often due to bad planting than to poor roots. The ground should be prepared in advance and must be *deeply dug*. Two feet is not too much; 18 inches is a minimum, and the hole where the root is to be set should be filled with good friable loam. Some manure at the bottom will be to the good but it must not come into contact with the roots. These must be set *not too deep*.

In the case of the herbaceous peonies, the buds should be placed so that they will be covered with two or three inches of soil.

Tree peonies and the *lutea* hybrids should be planted at the depth at which they have been growing. In grafted plants the union between the understock and the scion should be a couple of inches below the surface of the soil.

At the best however, peonies cannot be expected to give much bloom the first year after setting.

